

Welcome to the latest news and events for all our members

### **JOIN THE CARNIVAL PARADE**



Come and join the parade for the Newport Pagnell Carnival so that we make as big an impact as possible; the more people the better. We will be handing out leaflets to everyone along the way to advertise our Open Day and Summer Special Membership (see below).

The parade leaves Blakelands at midday on 2nd July, so we will be gathering between 11 and 11.30 to blow up balloons and get organised. If you would like to come along, please contact Loren on 07899 905660. She will then send you more details.

### **OPEN DAY AT THE CLUB**

The Newport Pagnell Community Sports Day will be held at the Willen Road Sports Ground on 17<sup>th</sup> July, 12-3pm. This event is for local sports clubs to showcase what they do. Our courts will be open for anyone, whatever their age or ability, to drop in and have a go at playing tennis. (Tennis racquets and balls will be available for those that need them). We will also be offering a Summer Special Membership, only available on the day, which will be valid throughout the school holidays.

So, we need YOU to come and help us! We need people who will chat to the visitors and make them feel welcome and who will help sign up those that want to take up the membership offer. We also need members of all ages who will play a few points with the visitors, whether beginners or experts, children or adults. If you would like to be involved, please contact Jenny Spencer on 07875 945308.

### **WIMBLEDON AT NPTC**

We've just held our third friendly Club tournament this year. There were 16 players and a few helpers there on the day. The weather was bright and sunny, if a bit windy, and so we enjoyed two hours of fantastic tennis and had a lot of fun along the way.



*What a great turnout, including baby Violet!*

After 5 rounds, the finalists were declared as Darryl Lucas and Lucy Webb against Andie Woolhead and Phil Kemp. Congratulations to Darryl and Lucy who were the eventual victors.



*L to R: Phil Kemp, Andie Woolhead, Lucy Webb, Darryl Lucas. David Le Roy and Ben Snaith are behind, getting stuck into the strawberries and cream!*

## **MEMBERSHIP NUMBERS**

We currently have a total of 174 members. This is almost exactly the same as at the same point last year. Like many local outdoor tennis clubs in the last two years, we benefited from people joining when the indoor courts at the David Lloyd Centre were closed. This year, some of the David Lloyd members have not re-joined, so it's good to see that we have not suffered too much as a result. Perhaps people recognise what good value NPTC membership is!

Membership numbers are pretty evenly split between Adults and Juniors (4-17 years). Of the 88 adult members, 42 are women and 46 are men. Of the 86 juniors, 34 are girls and 52 are boys.

Over 80% of our annual income is from membership. This year so far membership income is about £11.5K. So, please spread the word about the benefits of tennis and, especially, what a great Club we are!

## **TEAM NEWS**

We have several adult teams entered in local leagues for both summer and winter. It's been a mixed bag of results for the matches played in the summer league so far.

**The Mixed A team** have had a strong start to the summer, drawing one and winning two matches and are top of MK Division 1 with two matches to play.

**The Men's A team** have had a more even start, winning one and losing two early matches in MK Division 1. The men's team also play in the Bucks Shield where they have won one game and lost one in Division 2 of the Buck league.

**The Men's B team** have lost their first league match and also a cup match.

**The Mixed B team** in the MK league have lost all their first three games and have one more to play.

**The Mixed Medley team** in the Bucks Summer league have won their first match, three more to play.



*The Ladies Team after beating Great Linford 8-0, L to R: Kelly Lorenzo, Angela Bramham, Isobel Cabero Alonso and Cathie Carter.*

**The Ladies' team** are in Division 3 of the MK Summer league and have played three matches to date, winning one, drawing one and losing one with a further league game to play.

Anyone interested in joining a team should contact Trevor Hill on 07970 79834

If you have any news or information you would like to share with members, please email Jenny Spencer on [jenny@theoldredhouse.net](mailto:jenny@theoldredhouse.net)

